ARIZONA HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

December 13, 2011 MINUTES

The Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC) met at 11:00 a.m. On December 13, 2011 at 1700 West Washington St., Room 200, Phoenix AZ 85007. (Full transcript available on request)

Members Present

Dora Vasquez, Chairman	Scott Cancelosi, Citizen Public Member
Jim Drake on behalf of Secretary of State Ken Bennett	Joan Clark, Director; Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records
Juliana Yoder, Citizen Public Member	Catherine May, Public Member, SRP
Mark Stanton on behalf of Sherry Henry Arizona Office of Tourism	Lisa Schnebly-Hedinger, Citizen Public Member
John Langellier, Director Sharlot Hall Museum – via phone	Teresita Majewski Historic Site Review Committee – via phone
Carol Warren, Citizen Public Member – via phone	Beth Grindell, Director Arizona State Museum – via phone
Karen Liersch on behalf of John Huppenthal Arizona Department of Education – via phone	
Members Absent	
The Honorable Ken Bennett Secretary of State	James Garrison State Historic Preservation Officer Arizona State Parks
Karen Churchard, Citizen Public Member	Anne Woosley, Executive Director Arizona Historical Society
Marc Ashton CEO, Foundation for Blind Children	Nancy Ledeboer Arizona Library Association
Jay Ziemann on behalf of Director Renee Bahl, Arizona State Parks	
<u>Guests</u>	
Norman Fish, CEO – Diamond Valley Productions	Jess Yescalis, YCS

CALL TO ORDER

Dora Vasquez, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

CENTENNIAL LEGACY PROJECTS

On behalf of the Programs Committee, Juliana Yoder reported that it is recommending approval of ten Legacy Projects and denial of three projects.

Motion to approve the recommendations of the committee was made by Lisa Schnebly-Heidinger and seconded by Mark Stanton. Motion carried.

The current total application count is 156.

As the time limit for submitting Legacy Project applications is growing short, Dora Vasquez, Chair, suggested that a Press Release be sent out to the various State communities advising them that the submission deadline is 2/14/12. This notice will be handled by the Secretary of State's Office.

Chair noted that One Book Arizona has selected Arizona Way Out West and Witty as the children's book for 2012 and Lisa Schnebly-Heidinger's book Arizona: 100 Years Grand as the adult selection to be featured recommendations.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

There were no changes to the minutes as presented.

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2011 meeting was made by Catherine May. Lisa Schnebly-Heidinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Scott Cancelosi presented the Treasurer's Report to members. The report included the Commission's expenses, investments and operating costs to date.

Joan Clark pointed out that Statehood Day, February 14, 2012, would be an ideal time to increase revenue by selling the Centennial Quarters. Chair Dora Vasquez volunteered to undertake this task.

CENTENNIAL COMMISSION REPORT

No report was presented.

CENTENNIAL MEDALLIONS

Anne Wallace, Staff, reported that Arizona Territorial Mint is the most promising candidate for this project. The only problem is that Arizona Weights & Measures needs to determine whether it is a certified mint. Member discussion ensued regarding the urgency of getting this project underway.

Motion to give authority to Staff to move forward with the coins once Weights & Measures verifies that Arizona Territorial Mint is a certified mint was made by Catherine May and seconded by Jim Drake. Motion carried.

GOLDWATER STATUE

Jim Drake reported that four maquettes and attendant busts have been received from the five finalists among the artists competing for this commission. One finalist has withdrawn. The Commission now has an obligation to provide each artist with \$7,500 as promised for their work to date with the understanding that these funds will be repaid immediately that funds are available from the fundraising efforts of the Goldwater Statue Panel.

Anne Wallace stated that, as requested, Mr. Yescalis' firm provided a report of current and anticipated fundraising efforts which is in the packet of information provided to Commission members.

Motion was made by Catherine May to advise the fundraiser that, when selecting vendors or contractors for the Goldwater Statue, AHAC has a preference for Arizona-based companies whenever possible and, if not possible, fundraiser will contact AHAC's Administrative Assistant for approval discussion. Motion was seconded by Lisa Schnebly-Heidinger. Motion carried.

Jim Drake noted that a motion was required to cut warrants for \$7,500 apiece to each of the four artists as discussed above.

Motion to loan the Goldwater Project \$30,000 from the Quarter money, Fund 2025, which is to be repaid immediately, off the top, from the first fundraising dollars that are received was made by Jim Drake and seconded by Lisa Schnebly-Heidinger. Motion carried with one dissenting vote made by Beth Grindell.

Jim Drake advised that the Memorandum of Understanding was created to provide a concise understanding between the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC) and the Arizona Centennial 2012 Foundation (Foundation) in regard to the Foundation's agreement to serve as Fiscal Agent for the Goldwater Statue Project funds.

Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding was made by Lisa Schnebly-Heidinger and seconded by Scott Cancelosi. Motion carried.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Norman Fisk stated that he had no topic to present, but that he would like to compliment the Commission on doing a very professional job.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

Discussion was held on the desire to convene the next meeting after the Tucson Best Fest. Due to conflicting information as to the dates of this event, it was determined that Staff will confirm dates and advise members of the date for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.